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AUTO-IMMUNE DISEASES IN MAMMALS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered into the application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 7, line 1, delete "or 5".

Claim 8, line 1, delete "or 5".

Claim 1, after "claim 1", insert --,--.

Claim 12, after "claim 1", insert --,--.

Claim 13, after "claim 1", insert --,--.